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GRAND CLEARING SALE AT THE LEADER!

In order to Close Out Our Entire Summer Stock we have decided to make a Sweeping Reduction on all summer goods consisting of a large stock of

DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, LADIES and GENTS FURNISHING GOODS, CLOTHING, SHOES and SLIPPERS, HATS, CAPS, etc.

We have to make room for our LARGE FALL STOCK which is now on the road, therefore these Summer goods must be sold before the new stock comes in.

DRY GOODS.

Calicos, regular price 61-4 to 7c now for 5c per yard.
Best standard calicos such as Indigo, Turkey red, and all other best prints, will now go for 5 1-2 to 6 per yard.
Figured Lawn at 4 & 5c per yard.
White Lawn, former price 7 & 8c, now for 5c.
White Lawn, 10 & 12 1-2 now 8 1-3
Challies reduced from 5 to 4c pr yd
" " " 8 1-3 to 6c
Wool " " " 15 & 20 to 10c
Bed ticks " " " 10 to 8 1-3
" " " 16 2-3 & 20 to 12 1-2
" " " 25 & 30 to 17 1-2
Bleached and unbleached sheeting, regular price 5c, now 2 1-2 pr yd
Towelings reduced from 6 1-4 to 5c
" " " 8 1-3 to 6 1-4
" " " 10 to 7 1-2
" " " 12 1-2 to 10
Table cloth, Turkey red at 22c yd
Table cloth, white linen, former price 45c now for 30c.

Table cloth, white linen, extra fine, former price 75c now only 50c
Fine summer dress goods, regular price 12 1-2 to 15c now 8 1-3c pr yd
We have also made a great reduction on all Gingham, Shirtings, Domestic, Lining, Cassimeres, Henrietta cloth, and worsted dress goods
Ladies and Misses Corsets reduced from 15c to 25c each
Ladies and Misses Corsets reduced from 75c to 50c each
Ladies Corsets reduced from \$1 to 75 cents each.
Ladies Vests reduced from 35 & 40c to 25 cents each.
Ladies vests reduced from 15c to 8 cents in this sale.
Ladies and Misses Hose at 7c pair
Also a great reduction in Ribbons, Gloves, Ties, Fans, Veiling and everything in the line of Notions and Ladies' Furnishing Goods.

Shoes and Slippers.

Now is the time to invest in Shoes and Slippers at these reduction prices:

Men's full stock work Shoes reduced to 85 cents.
Men's Congress good stock Shoes reduced to \$1.
Men's Congress or Lace formerly \$1.50, reduced to \$1.15
Men's Congress or Lace, formerly \$1.75 reduced to \$1.30.
Men's fine Custom Made, formerly \$2.50 and \$2.75 reduced to \$1.90.
Men's fine Custom Made, formerly \$3.25 and \$3.50 reduced to \$2.40.
Ladies' fine Button Shoes, reduced to 90 cents.
Ladies fine Dongola Button Shoes, regular price \$1.75, now \$1.25.
Ladies' fine Dongola cloth top button shoes, regular price \$1.90 and \$2.25, now \$1.50.

We have also made a big reduction on all extra fine Shoes, Button or Lace.
One lot of Ladies' Laced Shoes, worth \$1.25 and \$1.50; will close these goods out for only 75c a pair.
Come and buy your children shoes for school wear, for you can buy them much cheaper now than any other time.

SLIPPERS! SLIPPERS!

They will go regardless of cost as we must close them out and not keep them over.

CLOTHING

If you want to save your money come and get your clothing now as we are expecting a large fall stock of clothing. Jeans pants worth \$1.50 will go for 90 cents.
Cassmere Jeans pants worth \$2.50 will go for \$1.50.
Cassmere and worsted pants worth \$3.75 to 4.50 will go at the Clearing Sale for \$2.50.
Fine Tailor Made Pants regular price \$5 to \$6, will sell at this sale for \$3 and \$4.
Childs and Boys pants reduced to 25 and 30 cents.
Mens suits former price \$6 to \$7, now for \$3.75.
Mens suits former price \$8 to \$9, now for \$4.95.
Mens suits, all wool, former price \$10, now for \$6.25.

Mens suits, all wool sack former price \$11 to \$12 now for \$7.50.
Mens clay worsted suits, sack and frock, these goods are regular price from \$12 to \$15, will sell them at this sale for only \$9.15.
Mens black frock suits worth \$15 to \$16, reduced to \$9.75.
Mens Tailor Made suits worth \$17 to \$18 now for \$11.95.
Mens Prince Albert black coats and vests worth \$12 now for \$5.50.
Mens fine light colored Prince Albert suits regular price \$18 to \$20, now for \$12.
Boys suits worth \$3.50 for \$2.65.
Boys suits worth \$4.50 to \$5 now for \$3.85.
Boys suits worth \$7.50 to \$8 now for \$5.45.
Boys suits worth \$9 to \$10 for \$6.25.
Childs " " \$1.50 reduced to 90 cents.
Childs suits worth \$2 to \$2.50 reduced to \$1.50.
Childs suits worth \$2.75 to \$3 reduced to \$2.
Childs suits worth \$3.25 to \$4.50 reduced to \$2.35.

Remember that there is hundreds of other articles which is equally as cheap as the above and will close out at this Clearance Sale. Come early and get bargains as this sale will last a short time only. B. ROSENBLUM.

COUNTY TAXES.

EDITOR BANNER:

In your issue of July 19, 1894, I see upon the subject of County Taxes, the following article to-wit: "County Taxes. State tax, \$5631.60; County tax, \$9016.64; Road tax, \$2066.67; Special Interest tax, \$2217.38; School tax, \$8141.05; Total, \$27,073.54. This is the Press' report of total collections for fiscal year ending March 9, 1894, in the issue of April 26. The certified statement of the county clerk, made the tax collected for county road and interest purposes \$13,348.70. The state and school tax as reported in the Press totals \$13,772.65. The difference between this and the total collections is \$13,300.89, for county, road and interest tax. Mr. Wells' statement is \$13,348.80. The difference is only \$47.81. The clerk's statement showing that much more collected than this paper stated.—Marble Hill Press, July 5, 1894.

Now do the taxpayers of the county see that there was collected in the county last year a total of \$27,121.35; from the county clerk's statement it would appear that all the money collected from the county would only be \$13,348.70, as per F. M. Wells' certified statement March 9, 1894, as shown by this statement published in the Marble Hill Press of June 21, 1894. It will be seen that the state tax is \$5631.60 and the school tax is \$8141.05 making \$13,772.65 that the clerk fails to report in the total collections but it is all collected from the tax payers of the county as we understand it. (If we are incorrect we stand ready for correction.) But we feel it right for the taxpayers to know how much taxes they are really paying each year.—Banner.

Now as you say you stand ready for correction, with your permission, I will make this matter so plain that a "Wayfaring man though he be a fool, cannot err therein." In the first place I will give you the sections of law, requiring statements concerning the various funds, so that you and your readers may understand just what the law requires me to publish, in the financial statement referred to. After section 3186, Revised statutes of 1889, prescribes the duties of the County clerk at the regular spring term thereof in relation to the sixteenth section school fund. Section 3187 reads as follows to-wit:

"And the said clerk shall at the same time make out a statement of the amount of the debt due by their counties and a detailed account of the receipts and expenditures of the same for the preceding year showing from what officer and on what account any money has been received, and to what individuals and on what account any money has been paid and shall strike the balance showing the deficit, if any, or the balance in the treasury, if any."

Section 3188 requires the facts thus ascertained, and the accounts and statements thus made out, to be recorded in the records of the court and published; and this is what was done in my statement of March 1894, published in the Marble Hill Press of June 21, 1894. Section 8069, Revised Statutes 1889, reads as follows to-wit:

"The clerk of each and every county court shall, on or before the 31st day of July annually make out and transmit to the State Superintendent of Public Schools at Jefferson City an abstract of all the returns of school districts, cities and towns in his county made to him according to the form that may be prescribed by the State Superintendent; also the amount of income of the school funds of said county and the amount realized from taxes collected therein."

The several District Clerks are required to make report to the County School Commissioner, and from such reports he is also required

to make report to the State Superintendent of Public Schools with which the report of the county clerk must agree.

Section 7635 reads as follows to-wit:

"Every county collector and ex-officio county collector, except in the city of St. Louis shall, on or before the 5th day of each month, file with the county clerk a detailed statement, verified by affidavit of all state, county, school, road and municipal taxes, and of all licenses by him collected during the preceding month and shall on or before the 15th day of the month pay the same, less his commission, into the state and county treasuries, respectively."

It is the duty of the county clerk, and he is hereby required to forward immediately a certified copy of such detailed statement to the State Auditor, who shall keep an account of the State taxes with the collector."

From the foregoing sections, it will be seen that it is not necessary nor even possible for the clerk to publish a statement of the expenditures of the state or school taxes; for the one is paid out by the State Treasurer upon the warrant of the State Auditor and the other, is disbursed by the several school boards of school directors over whom the clerk has no control whatever.

It is true that the total amount of moneys collected for the year ending March 1894 is \$27,119.72 embracing the following items to-wit:

State tax	\$ 5630.98
County tax	9066.15
Road " "	2065.42
Special " "	2217.13
School " "	8140.04

Total.....\$27,119.72

It is also true that in my financial statement of receipts and expenditures of Bollinger county for the year ending March 1894 I only published the total sum of \$13,348.70, embracing the items following to-wit:

County tax	\$ 9066.15
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Road " "	2065.42
Special " "	2217.13

Total.....\$13,348.70

The difference between \$27,119.72, and \$13,348.70 is \$13,771.02, which you say I failed to publish in my financial statement embraces the following items to-wit:

State tax	\$ 5630.98
School " "	8140.04

Total.....\$13,771.02

And forms no part of the county revenue, required to be published in the financial statement, under section 3187, supra.

The statement published by the Press was taken from the collectors office and includes taxes only, while the above statement includes everything paid into the County Treasury as shown by the records in my office. Trusting that this explanation will be satisfactory to the public, I am,

Very respectfully,
F. M. WELLS,
Clerk County Court.

LAFLIN NEWS.

Health is good in our town.
Mrs. Dan Huffman died two miles east of town Thursday night of typhoid pneumonia, at the age of 22 years. See was a member of the General Baptist church, and was buried Friday afternoon at the Barks cemetery, Rev. Poston conducting the ceremony.

Some of our citizens have been hauling melons to supply the demands of our colored population.

The Laffin base ball nines (white) and the (blacks) played a match game a few days Sundays ago, resulting 25 to 11 in favor of the former. It is generally believed that the colored nine would have played better had they not been

all night before dancing and imbibing freely at a love feast held here. They are all vigorous burley and jet black "niggers" and could no doubt play well if in trim. The feast was well attended by leading g. c. p's from the various townships. A messenger had been dispatched to a still house early in the day, and ample arrangements made for a gay night. Dancing and music were the leading feature of the evening, corn juice and cigars being served at short intervals. Youths with Republican weal could not refrain from tripping the fantastic toe, joining hands and gliding buoyantly away with the colored population in the mazy dance. It is said that a large sum was contributed on a collection for the colored ones. A Democratic spectator overheard these remarks of a colored gentlemen to a young Republican around whose neck he had his arm:

"I tole you, Massa Jeams, Ise been in Virginy, Kaintuck, Tennessee, Alabam, Souf Carlinar and ole Mississip, and here in Missouri, but dat one boy what writes for dat metropolitan Banner am de smartest white chile I ever saw. If he keeps goin' to love feasts and sociatin wid colored folks and writin' for dat salubrious paper until he ar 50 years ole, de influences of de sociation will precipitate the narvous enlargement of dat ponderous cranium until he will be as smart as a nigger. Jeams dar am lots ob our people who don't believe in us sociatin' wid po' white trash but I is one ob dese colored individual what thinks a white man am as good as a nigger. If he be naves hisself, Mass dar dar I naves in de elevation."